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CAMP SONGS AND SINGING

By MARY JEFFRIES

Four Winds Camp

Let me spend one hour in a camp and I shall know whether or not I can advise a girl to choose it for "her camp." That one hour will be the singing hour. It may be at morning assembly or evening fire or whenever the whole camp gathers to sing the songs the girls love.

Having spent this hour with the girls I shall be able to judge the camp quite fairly: the camp spirit, leadership, activities, ideals and standards, even its effectiveness in moulding the girl's character.

Is there in the camp a spirit of loyalty? Every camper will be present and will sing, or if she can't "strike a right note" will at least listen while the others sing. No truly loyal camper stays away from singing hour (from choice) or laughs and nudges and whispers during the songs.

Is there a spirit of coöperation? Every one will sing all the songs and will follow the leader. Something is seriously wrong with a camp if little groups sit together and dominate the tempo or the pitch or the choice of songs. It may be a flaw in the leadership. In a good camp the counselors come to evening fire on time, they know the songs and sing them as the leader does. We do not say leader directs.

Somehow camp singing seems more lovely if lead than if directed. After all camp isn't school, and there is something about a baton or even a visible hand keeping time that spoils the charm of the songs at evening camp fire. The leader must know the songs, must have a fairly accurate sense of pitch, must know how to secure correct interpretation, but though not unfelt must in some way remain invisible. Moreover as to leadership the singing hour will tell more than the quality of the counselors. It will present the camp director to us more intimately than can any other hour of the day. The songs the campers sing, and the way they sing them will reveal to us the whole scope of her conception of camping and pretty much her degree of success in achieving her aims. We shall know, when her girls sing, whether she regards camp as a place where girls may "let loose" for the summer or thinks of it as the richest opportunity for development of poise and grace and graciousness, for perceiving and expressing loveliness, for cultivation of a kindly yet gay and gallant spirit. We shall know whether or not she has succeeded in giving the girls a program of worthy activities that have

become a genuine and vital part of their lives. If the girls are living, not just following the camp program they will want to sing about the things they do. There will be riding songs, hiking songs, sailing songs in which the campers preserve and relive in an "art form" the experiences of their camp days.

A group of girls sing, to an air from one of Haydn's symphonies:

Up to the tallest hill together
We shall climb until on high
We can watch the constellations
March across the summer sky.
Deep down in the bay below us
Lie great pools of starry gold;
May our hearts one day unknowing
Such reflected beauty hold.

Does this not indicate that their star study is really part of their life?

When they sing, to the tune of "Three Little Maids a Sliding Went."

When — camp a hiking goes
That's when the — spirit shows
Then everyone on the highroad knows
We're sporting through and through.
We keep the pace and we keep the trail
The steepest climb we never fail
The hardest road with a song we hail
as all good hikers do.

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SUNBATHS AT QUANSET

By MRS. MARY L. HAMMATT, Director

It has been known for a long time that the blood in the huge capillary network of the skin absorbs the rays of the sun. This has its beneficial effect upon blood vessels, nerves, and all the body functions, which in turn improves vitality, destroys bacteria, and increases immunity to infection. The good effect of direct sunlight is due to its ultra-violet rays, which increase the calcium content as well as the inorganic phosphorus of the blood. Calcium is responsible for the growth of bone, and inorganic phosphorus, for the nutrition of the nerves.

At Camp Quanset the children have sunbaths which expose practically the whole skin area of the body. They are given outside the infirmary, on a retired, sunny slope. The children start with a ten-minute exposure back and front. This is increased gradually, to avoid blistering, to twenty-five minutes. They lie on a blanket in a prone position, with eyes protected. All this induces a restful relaxation.



These sunbaths, coming just before the noon dinner every day, have a decidedly beneficial effect upon digestion. The smaller children are helped to remain quiet by stories which one of the counselors tells them.

Some of the results of these sunbaths are quite apparent from the beginning; other beneficial results may not be manifested for months. The skin very soon be-

comes smooth, brown, and free from pimples and blemishes. The rest immediately before dinner, is an aid to digestion; many a poor appetite, the nurse assures me, has increased steadily. Nervous or cross children show perhaps the best results. They are calmer and quieter, sleep better at night, and show less irritability in their relations with the other children. This last, in itself, is a decided benefit in a camp of many children, of diverse natures.

Microscopic study of the blood is being made, to determine the increase in the red cells, the white corpuscles, and the red color, all of which show a decided increase.

Under the direction of the camp physician, and with the skilful supervision of the trained camp nurse, we feel sure that a vast improvement could be made in the health of growing children all over the country, if all camps, big or little, in the mountains or at the shore, should adopt this daily supervised sunbath.

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EDITORIALS

MEMBERSHIP DUES NOW PAYABLE

All dues are payable on October 1 and the prompt payment of dues will enable the Association to meet its financial obligations promptly, which is always desirable. At the Atlantic City meeting a budget of \$8,000 was voted in order to enable the Association to develop a larger service to its members. Thus far the income has been around \$4,000. To reach the goal of the budget there must be a corresponding increase in membership which is the main source of income. At the meeting of the New England Section in September, the members present agreed to take the responsibility of securing their share of new members, both active and associate. The example of this section should be followed by other sections. A number of letters have been received from camp directors since the last issue of *Camping* making inquiry regarding membership. The cooperation of every member is desired. You cannot operate an \$8,000 budget on a \$4,000 income. We hate deficits, therefore, the executives have decided to "cut according to the cloth."

The Association has now assumed national proportions, it is the professional organization of directors and those interested in the educational program of youth; it is the one opportunity for united expression of the camping movement. Every other business and profession has its national organization which it supports to the limit. It is not what we get but what we can give, which is the determining factor in the success of the Association. Among the many letters that come to the office of the national secretary are those that inclose checks for dues and this past month has recorded the receipt of at least a dozen letters from delinquents who have sent from \$20 to \$30 in payment of back dues and accompanied with words of encouragement and praise for the work being done. May their tribe increase!

Remember the dates of the National Meeting at Atlantic City — March 8, 9, 10, 1929. Plan now to take advantage of this annual get-together. Ask those who attended the 1928 meeting at this wonderful seaside place if it was worth while.

NEW ENGLAND SECTION FALL GET-TOGETHER

October 1, 1928

Dear fellow camp directors:

I wish I might begin to tell you all what a happy two or three days twelve of our members have just spent at Poland Springs, with Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Poland, a sister of Miss Hersom, and one of Miss Bass' counselors as guests, outside of the Association.

The weather was perfect, and I cannot imagine a more pleasant and comfortable house in which to spend a few days than this same Mansion House.

Most of us arrived on Friday afternoon, September twenty-eighth, and all had dinner together at one big table, a real family party.

Following dinner, tentative plans were made as to how we would spend Saturday and Sunday. It was decided that we had plenty to do right there, rather than trying to accept Mr. Bass' invitation, which he so kindly extended to us to visit his factory where the Bass Moccasins are made. Also, his sister, Miss Elizabeth Bass of Kineowatha had invited us to visit her camp. We telephoned them, and declined with regrets and many thanks.

Mr. Bentley and Miss Mattoon showed movies of their camp activities, and then a very interesting discussion followed, as to how we could increase our membership, adding to our list worth-while people who

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would be contributing members. It was suggested that Mr. Poland, our president, write a personal letter to a list of such people. Everybody expressed their pleasure in being able to have their counselors join the Association as associate members, and it is hoped that you have all sent your applications for these memberships to Miss Mattoon — no time like the present.

On Saturday morning, dates and details of the meetings for the coming year were decided upon, as follows: Saturday, November 17. Hotel Bellevue, 3 to 9 o'clock; Saturday, January 26, and Saturday, April 6.

These are tentative dates. Details of the program will be sent you two weeks in advance of each meeting. Mr. Gibson has suggested a topic for each section to use as the theme of its meetings. A committee of five representing boys camps, and a committee of five representing girls camps to work on the subject assigned and to give a report at both the November and January meetings, and a final report to be made at the annual meeting at Atlantic City, in March.

The subject for our section is "A Four-year Progressive Camp Program." The committees are as follows:

Boys' Camp

Mr. R. S. Webster, *chairman*
Mr. L. D. Roys
Mrs. Bertram Taylor
Mrs. Sarah Hayes
Mr. Ernest Conlon

Girls' Camp

Mrs. Helen King, *chairman*
Mrs. Nellie Winchester
Mr. Maynard Carpenter
Mr. Roland Cobb
Mrs. Wilfred O. White

When the announcement for our November meeting goes out, you are going to be asked to invite one of your counselors, and we hope you will begin to plan now so that they may save the date.

Saturday afternoon our meeting took the form of an experience meeting, each member speaking of some phase of camp life, or experiment that he had tried during the summer — such as work on posture, detailed reports from counselors about their individual boy or girl, use of "buddy cards" in helping the new boy to get acquainted, also giving an old boy the responsibility of a new buddy, contagion in camp, the handling of smoking, etc.

Saturday evening, movies of the Teela-Wooket Camps were shown, followed by an hour or so of little groups getting together discussing, I imagine, camp life, but nothing definite was reported.

Our service Sunday morning was opened by Mr. Gibson reading a tribute to Charlotte V. Gulick (Mrs. Luther Gulick), which had been written by a committee made up of Mr. Gibson, Mr. Bentley, and Mrs. Roys. This tribute has been sent to Mrs. Gulick's family as an expression of

love and sympathy felt by each member of this section.

This was followed by a reading of two or three poems, and then Mr. Gibson asked us to consider the "religious opportunities of camp life." (He read from the *Literary Digest*, September 29) "Restoring the Altar in the Home." He asked us to think of this article in terms of camp parents.

Several members spoke of the religious or spiritual phases of their camp work, some holding discussion groups, one has a meditation seat where the boys may go by themselves to commune with nature and to get closer to their God. Another spoke of teaching more of God through our nature work, and urged the need of having counselors who were interested in the spiritual welfare of the boys and girls every day of the week, not just on Sunday.

This service on Sunday morning was a beautiful climax to two days of most helpful and kindly discussion where real companionship and friendship existed. Mr. Bentley closed the meeting by giving a brief summary of the two days spent together, and impressed it upon us how thankful we all ought to be that we had had a good summer, happy and profitable — in other words, *we cannot be thankful enough*. Looking forward to seeing you all on November seventeenth, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. C. A.) FLORENCE HAYDEN ROYS,
Secretary

CHARLOTTE V. GULICK

A TRIBUTE

A winsome personality has been removed from our fellowship through the mystery of death. The New England Section of the Camp Directors Association feels keenly the passing away of Charlotte V. Gulick, who for two years served as our president and whose presence at the gatherings of the section was always an inspiration.

Idealism, optimism, and faith in youth radiated from her personality, and her counsel, vision, and long experience greatly influenced the work and program of the Camp Directors Association.

The New England Section, in session on September 30, 1928, hereby records its loss and extends its sympathy to her son and her daughters who have inherited the opportunity of carrying on the work which was so much a part of her life.

MR. H. W. GIBSON
MR. W. H. BENTLEY
MRS. C. A. ROYS

Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
Where the race of men go by.
The men who are good and the men who are bad,
As good and as bad as I.
I would not sit in the scorner's seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban.
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man.

Samuel Walter Foss

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MID-WEST SECTION

The annual meeting of the Mid-West Section of the Camp Directors Association was held at Camp Ohiyesa, Clyde, Michigan (fifty miles from Detroit), October 19, 20, 1928, at the invitation of the Great Lakes Inter-Camp Council, the local arrangements being made by this council, whose officers and committees are listed in this program.

Special music furnished by camp orchestras and song leaders.

Friday, October 19

- 1.00 P.M. Sightseeing trip
- 2.00 P.M. Bus leaves Detroit for Camp Ohiyesa, Clyde, Michigan. Balance of afternoon given over to committee meetings. Great Lakes Inter-Camp Council business meeting.
- 6.00 P.M. Camp fire supper, steak roast, etc.
- 7.30 P.M. Opening address: "Nature Study in Camp" by Dr. Wm. Vinal, President, C. D. A. (1925); Director, Nature Guide School, Hudson, Ohio. Address illustrated with slides and films.

Saturday, October 20

- 9.00 A.M. Business meeting
- 10.00 A.M. Address: "Correlations Between Summer Camps and Public Schools," by Mr. Stanley A. Graves of Highland Park High School, Detroit.
- 11.00 A.M. Round Tables. (Delegates divided as follows):
 - (1) Institutional Camps for Girls, Miss Ruth M. Bonsteel, presiding (of Camp Fire and Cleveland Girl Council)
 - (2) Institutional Camps for Boys, Mr. Wm. M. Wones, presiding (state Y. M. C. A. camp in Wisconsin)
 - (3) Private Camps for Girls, Mrs. B. G. Mattson, presiding (Director, Camp Osoha-of-the Dunes)
 - (4) Private Camps for Boys, Dr. F. H. Ewerhardt, presiding (Director, Camp Minne Wonka)
 Subjects to be considered
 - (a) Camp Fire Programs and Their Objectives
 - (b) The Camp Paper
 - (c) Religious Education in Camp
 - (d) Overnight Hikes and Trips
 - (e) Achievement Plans
 - (f) Camp Discipline
- 12.30 P.M. Luncheon
- Address: "Vocational Counseling as an Element in the Camp Program," by Mr. A.C. Crockett, Director of Vocational Education for Detroit Board of Education.
- 2.30 P.M. Reports of findings of round

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NEW ENGLAND SECTION

Sent by chairman of National Membership Committee to membership chairmen of the various sections

My dear.....

The fall meeting of the New England Section of the C. D. A. was recently held at Poland Spring, Maine. The charm and color of autumn had laid its hand on this delightful spot. The warm comfort of the old Mansion House surrounded us. Best of all was the fellowship and hand clasp of old and new friends. The meetings were informal and the discussions of the summer past and the year to come were rich in inspiration and practical suggestion.

I left with a feeling of regret, a fresh appreciation of what the C. D. A. has meant to me and a clearer vision of the wonderful opportunities that lie in the path of its future.

For months past, whenever I have thought of our Association, a question has presented itself with increasing insistence. With 2,500 organized camps in the country why is our membership just reaching the 500 mark? This means that there are hundreds of worthy directors who are missing the uplift, the real benefits and the professional fraternity which our meetings and membership offer. It also means that many times this number of earnest and ambitious counselors whose value and vision in our camps would be greatly increased by associated membership, are not availing themselves of this opportunity.

We want to make the C. D. A. mean more to us all. We are a young and widely spread organization. The line is thin in many places. The feeling of national unity and power is newly born and lacks strength.

Enthusiasm comes of numbers and enthusiasm can work miracles in any organization. The contagion of active loyalty is a real thing. Nothing succeeds like success. Nobody can measure the influence of a large serious-minded association working for the advancement of camping for boys and girls.

All of us, including our national and section officers, are faced with the problem of earning our living. We can devote only a very small part of our time to the interests of camping as a whole. We realize how vital and significant this great educational movement has become and we expect the Camp Directors Association to represent us in its advance. That is the function of our association and it is striving to fulfill it with honor and dignity. The difficulties its officers face are many. They are few in number, have other responsibilities and need more assistance. Their efforts are limited by lack of financial resources.

At our last national meeting an annual budget was approved which called for the expenditure of \$8,000 and a program based on this was adopted. The annual income of the national organization is about

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IMPORTANT COMMITTEES

It was voted at the Atlantic City meeting in March, 1928 that four committees be appointed by the Executive Committee. In accordance with the vote of the meeting, the following four committees were appointed at a meeting of the Executive Committee held September 28-30, in connection with the fall get-together of the New England Section at Poland, Maine.

1. Committee on counselor training

Frank E. Poland, *chairman*, Camp Medomak

Dr. Lindah Roth, Camp Pottawottanion

Miss Helen Neuman, Camp Wildwood

Roland Cobb, Camp Winona

Thompson Webb, Camp Robin Hood (California)

The duties and purpose of this committee will be

- (a) To study the program, methods and efficiency of the present conferences conducted by the Association.
- (b) To develop plans and standards for future conferences, institutes and courses.
- (c) To consult educators and representatives of kindred organizations, with a view of coordinating the educational with the camp program.

It will not be the province of this committee to promote conferences but only that of making a thorough study of the entire realm of counselor training.

2. Committee to study the matter of cooperative educational publicity

Mrs. Olive P. Hazel,

W. H. Bentley, Camp Wyanoke

Frank Guggenheimer, Camp Winnebago

C. Walton Johnson, Camp Sequoyah

Walter C. Crouch, Tip Camp

The duty and purpose of this committee will be to study the matter of cooperative educational publicity. This committee will be expected to ascertain the advisability of advertising along cooperative lines which will include

- (a) The aims and ideals of the camping movement and the Camp Directors Association
- (b) An impartial statement to parents and the public of well-conducted camps and their objectives

3. Committee on finance

C. A. Roys, *chairman*, Camp Teela-Wooket

Miss Emily Welch, Camp Wabunaki

L. A. Morhouse, Camp Becket

Joseph Wright,

E. W. Sipple, Oneka Camps

The duty and purpose of this committee will be to examine carefully the budget and devise ways and means for the adequate financing of the association which has now assumed larger national proportions and influence and suggest plans for facilitating the business of the Association so that the membership may be served in the most efficient manner.

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BOOK REVIEWS

Bob North by Canoe and Portage. By ROBERT CARVER NORTH. 195 pp., 24 illustrations. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York. \$1.75.

A book which will make a big appeal to all boys for it is written by one of them — a lad of twelve years, who travels in the Canadian Northland alone. He has written of previous experiences in the wilds under the titles *Bob North Starts Exploring*



BOB NORTH

and *Bob North by Canoe and Portage*, but this is the story of his first trip alone. He tells in simple and delightful language his adventures in the bush, how he made friends among the Ojibways, learning from them the language of the wilds; how to build a wigwam; to eat, Indian fashion, the head of a duck and to tell the time by the sun. He also tells how he treated them to American flapjacks and taught the boys to play Yankee Doodle on a comb and tissue paper. And much else of interest. A real book for a real boy. M. S. R.

Halsey in the West Indies. By HALSEY FULLER. 180 pages. Illustrated. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York. \$1.75.

Have you ever been in the West Indies? No? Well then here is just the way for you boys and girls to experience some of the thrills and adventures by journeying in imagination with Halsey Fuller who, last year, went into this strange tropical region, to him an unknown land. He was but fourteen years old when he landed, October 25. The captain of the S. S. *Catherine* let Halsey steer the big ship part of the way over, for about a mile.

He indulged in shark fishing and tarantula hunting. Of course you have seen pictures of sharks even though you may have never seen the real thing, but do you know what a tarantula is without looking it up in Webster? I didn't, so to save you the trouble I will tell you. A tarantula is a large venomous spider. A male tarantula

has never been found, so, of course, there was a wild hunt for one. As he expresses it "We all want to be the guy that catches the first male and maybe they'll name it after the fellow who catches it."

While he was at St. Thomas, our beloved Lindy appeared on the scene and there are two pictures of him in the book. One of him alone, and another with his inseparable pal *The Spirit of St. Louis*.

One thing I noticed in reading the book was how he dwelled on what he had to eat. Of course you have heard the saying, "The way to a man's heart is through his stomach." I think the West Indians were trying to keep Halsey forever in their midst. He says, "All fish tastes alike to him." Do you think you could do any better? Could you tell the difference between a king fish, grouper, amberjack skipjack, yellow-tail, red-snapper, barracuda, with enormous punishing jaws and teeth like spikes an inch and a half long, Spanish mackerel, covally, bluefish which are entirely different from our blue fish and even a cowfish. The blue fish is usually red. They call him



HALSEY FULLER

that because when he is boiled, his back bone and the meat around it turns blue.

While he was in St. Croix he learned a great many queer phrases used by the natives. If a native black man wants to say, for instance, "Keep your mouth closed in the presence of your betters." He says it in this manner: "Cockroach ain't wear creaking boot when he creep in fowlhouse." Another is: "Bull yett (eat) where he tie." It means a bull feeds where he is tied, and it is an excuse for thieving.

Oh! I almost forget to tell you about the girl. Yes there is one. What story would be complete without one. Nancy is her name and she is evidently an important personage in Halsey's mind, for he refers to her frequently, but he doesn't tell us very much about her.

Halsey will always look back to this trip to the West Indies as an important epoch in his life. You are sure to devour his story, of which I have only sketched a few of the high lights. T. D.

MIRROR OF YOUTH

Marian King must have an outdoor heart and a classic mind. She collects in this *Anthology of Youth and the Out-Doors* (Longmans, Green & Co.) a big generous armful of literary beauty. Stray wild flowers from little-known poets. Apple blossoms from masters of spring-time lyric. Gorgeous fall leaves from the more wistful dreamers.

To those of us who can still read slowly, who remember William Blake and George Meredith in this day of Jeffers and De-Casseres, this little book comes welcome. The editor has combed Shakespeare, Keats and most of their fellowkind, even to Omar himself for bits of heather, fronds of bracken, slips from old gardens and glimpses down the open road.

A book without doubt for the camp library. And to carry home for relaxation during the stress of winter planning, if, indeed we can still drift back to earth with the Brownings and Rossettis and the good old dead folk forever alive and eternally young because they lived with the brown-green earth and turned its spirit into written words. Let us who cannot write poetry but who, in camp life sometimes live it, welcome such a gathering of color and fragrance from the years gone by.

A. E. H.

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NEW ENGLAND SECTION

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\$4,000. A pitifully small sum to serve the interests of camping in the whole United States with its million boys and girls in camps every summer. We have had to cut this program as we must not spend beyond our income. An appreciable amount is owing to the Association for uncollected dues for last year. We need this sum.

The solution of many of these problems seems to stand out like "Mars at perihelion." We need to enlarge and strengthen our Association by adding new members. Larger numbers mean more vigor and power in the sections and additional strength in the national organization. The contribution of experience, service and enthusiasm from a good increase in membership will be an inspiration to us all. Call them to serve as well as to benefit. They need the C. D. A. and the C. D. A. needs them.

Already a plan is under consideration to speed up and simplify the method of admitting new members.

We all appreciate the active loyalty of our campers. Without it our camps could not grow or even live. Let the example of our boys and girls and their love for "our camp" inspire in us a like loyalty to the growth and life of our Camp Directors Association.

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IMPORTANT COMMITTEES

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4. Committee on emblem

The Executive Committee was authorized to make a selection from the many designs submitted in competition by counselors, campers, and artists, and referred to the committee by Mrs. E. L. Gulick's committee on the Association Emblem.

The reports of the first three committee will form the basis of discussion at the national meeting at Atlantic City, March 8, 9, 10, 1930.

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Of the entire camp, 86 boys passed their 1 mile test, 123 their $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, 133 the $\frac{1}{4}$ mile, and 140 the $\frac{1}{8}$ mile swim.

CAMP SONGS AND SINGING

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Do you not sense that their code of the trail is vital in their living?

You do if they have made their own songs, and such songs are in the main the ones to sing in a camp.

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Here, by the way, is one test of the director's success in creating a community spirit. A camp should be a sort of little civilization all itself. If the community produces no art forms interpreting and preserving its life experiences the director may as well admit her camp to be still in a "savage state." Songs seem to be the most natural and useful "art forms" for camp. Indeed the development of a camp may be traced in its songs. A few years ago a certain camp regaled us with a song describing the revolting contents of a marshmallow pie, with the billboard song, and with other similar atrocities. Here is a fair sample of the songs they now sing:

THE WEAVER

(Tune: "Forsaken")

On an isle of enchantment,
All hidden away,
There's a weaver of magic
Who sings all the day.
And a mystical mantle
She weaves o'er and o'er
To cast on each maiden
Who comes to her shore.

There are threads of bright sunlight
All shining and long;
There are threads of glad service
Hard twisted and strong;
There's a 'broidery of color
From sky, sea and shore,
And who wears this fair mantle
Finds joy ever more.

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CAMP SONGS AND SINGING

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Anyone who knows camps could guess that that camp has had a parallel development in standards of appearance, conduct, of everything that makes a good community life. These girls find beauty, adventure, and friendship in their camp life, express themselves with a certain poetic charm. Along with this sort of thing go softer voices and cleaner middies, all a part of the camp standards and ideals that the songs both reflect and influence. Vulgar songs make for vulgar conduct. Commonplace tunes, too, are likely to inspire common songs.

It is very interesting for instance to note voices in camps that sing songs to the tune of the latest jazz hit as contrasted with voices where songs are made to fine melodies.

Such standards, however, need not exclude humorous songs. One camp has for a tradition that every group which goes on an adventure return with a song telling about the trip. Usually there is a funny one recounting the events and one or more lovely ones. To this camp a group returned much belated from a sailing trip with this "log" of the voyage.

"BECALMED"

Twelve merry girls left — Bay
In the Sea Gypsy sailed away.
They had food and dunnage galore,
And their bow they set for a distant shore.

Tales of cooking and swimming they could tell,
Of balsam beds and a lone fox yell.
But the thing that matters most of all
Is the story of the deadly call.

For as they homeward turned their sails
The decks were rent with seasick wails.
But high noon put an end to that
For the wind went down as quick as scat.

Becalmed they hoped and read and dozed,
But not a single breeze arose.
The food was gone and the water tank dry
So they drew lots to see who would die.

Dorothy Ferguson was the first to go
Though she'd make a skinny meal you know.
Margaret Buschmann second came
And we smacked our lips when we heard her name.

Next Mademoiselle and little Anne
We planned to cook in the marshmallow can.
Elizabeth on a spit we'll roast,
And serve her up on a crust of toast.

The skipper sighed and his head he scratched
He hated to see us from this life snatched
So he took to his skiff and with his oar
He towed us to the Y. M. shore.

So now we're happy to be back at home
And for a day or two we'll refuse to roam
But when the Sea Gypsy next anchor weighs
We'll ship along for several days.

The tune was "Riding on the Dummy Line" and the ditty was not at all poetic. But it was not only very funny to the girls who wrote it and heard it. It was vital and meaningful because it told how they found fun in a trying situation.

When a camp replaces the old cheap songs with rollicking songs of native origin it justifies the "funny" songs, for in addition to making fun for the camper it tends

to make them laugh at their own difficulties and mishaps.

One type of "ready made" humorous song, however, should be sung by all camps, just for the sheer joy of singing them, and for their historical worth. These are the old sea chanteys: "Rio Grande," "Blow the Man Down," "The Golden Vanity" and others, that may be found in such books as Joanna Coleord's "Roll and Go." Thus even in their songs that may approach doggerel the camp may keep its singing above the commonplace and still prove the high tone of the camp standards.

And so, finally, in the songs we hear, we shall know whether or not the camp is fostering and developing the most distinguished of the human gifts, the creative spirit.

MID-WEST SECTION

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table groups

Report of experimental projects suggested by Miss Holiday:

(a) Methods of Putting Over Constructive Health Habits and Methods of Judging the "Carry-over" into the Remaining Months of the Year.

(b) How May Initiative Be Developed in a Camper and How May the "Carry-Over" into the Rest of the Year be Judged?

(c) The Relationship of a Child's Camp and School

(d) Counselors' Discussion Hour

6.00 P.M. Dinner and Address: Purposeful Camping" by Mr. H. W. Gibson, President, Camp Directors' Association.

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